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In Re Application of: **RICOL et al.**
 U.S. Serial No.: **10/518,199**
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 Title: **COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC IMPLANT**
 Atty Docket No.: **80350-1350**

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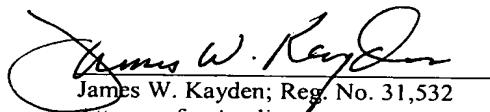
Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned International application are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Letter (duplicate copy of fee page);
2. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371;
3. Response to Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371;
4. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney; and
5. Return receipt postcard.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the deposit account No. 20-0778 any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.
PCT/FR03/01863INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE
18 June 2003U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
10/518,199PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
18 June 2002TITLE OF INVENTION
COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC IMPLANT

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

RICOL et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

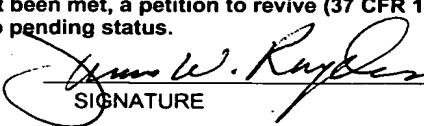
1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. is attached hereto.
 - b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
 - a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).
11. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).
12. A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).

Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:

13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
14. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
15. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
16. A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
17. A substitute specification.
18. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13^{ter}.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
20. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
21. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
22. Express Mail Label No. EV558410904US
23. Other items or information:

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U.S. APPLICATION NO (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/518,199		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR03/01863		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 80350-1350	
The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE
24. <input type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee				\$300	\$ 0.00
25. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4). All other situations.				\$100	\$ 0.00
26. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office All other situations.				\$100	\$ 0.00
TOTAL OF 24, 25 and 26 =				\$	\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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- 100 =	0	/50 = 0		x \$250.00	\$ 0.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	- 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$	\$ 0.00
Independent claims	- 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$	\$ 0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>				+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$	\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	\$ 0.00
SUBTOTAL =				\$	\$ 0.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	\$ 0.00
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$	\$ 0.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property				+ \$	\$ 0.00
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$	\$ 0.00
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<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>20-0778</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
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CONFIRMATION NO. 5197

371 FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/16/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/16/2004
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 12/16/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/16/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/16/2004
- Small Entity Statement filed on 12/16/2004
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 12/16/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/16/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 12/16/2004

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RESPONSE DUE 8/17/05

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office should be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (THOMAS KAYDEN & RISLEY, LLP).

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A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS
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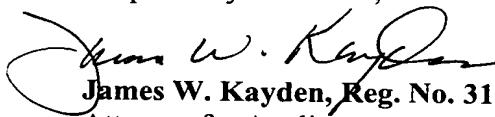
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In response to the Notice to File Missing Requirements mailed on June 17, 2005, the Applicant herewith submits a signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in connection with the above-identified application.

If the Office believes that additional fees may be required, the Office is authorized to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

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